Village of Cold Spring

Board of Trustees Workshop

August 16, 2016

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring held a workshop on Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY.

Attending were Mayor David Merandy, Trustees Marie Early, Frances Murphy, Lynn Miller and Steven Voloto.

Members of the **Cold Spring Fire Company** attended the meeting, Stephen Smith, Chief, Steve Etta, Assistant Treasurer and Matt Steltz, President. They came to impress upon the Board the deteriorating conditions of their building, owned by the Village at 154 Main Street. At present the central air conditioning system, which is about 25 years old, is not working. Their meeting room is an emergency shelter for the Village residents in case of any disasters and is also a room for the firefighters to cool down in after fire calls where the men are exposed to extreme heat. They priced a replacement system at about \$20,000. It was noted by Trustee Voloto that the roof is in dire need of replacement and was questioning the feasibility of putting a new air conditioning system on a roof that is in disrepair.

Trustee Early requested a complete budget report from the members present i.e. Village of Cold Spring budgeted amount, Nelsonville budgeted amount and Town of Philipstown budgeted amount and revenues and expenditures.

A review came before the Board regarding a street opening for water and sewer on Cedar Street. This was tabled for reasons of checking on re-routing this request. Mayor Merandy feels that this should go to the Superintendent of Water and Sewer, Greg Phillips.

Trustee Voloto, Fire Company liaison, read the monthly report from the Cold Spring Fire Company.

The **minutes of July 26, 2016** were approved with a motion from Mayor Merandy, a second from Trustee Murphy and a unanimous vote.

The **minutes of August 2, 2016** were approved with a motion from Mayor Merandy, a second from Trustee Early and a unanimous vote

Mayor Merandy made a motion to accept the bid (under Oneida County) for the purchase of a **new police vehicle** in the amount of \$35,522.61. A Dodge Charger fully equipped and ready for patrol with the exception of vehicle markings would be replacing a 2005 Ford Crown Victoria. Trustee Early made a second to the motion and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

At 6:36 p.m., Trustee Early made a motion to enter into **executive session** for a discussion of the sale of Village property that fronts 178 Main Street. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Mayor Merandy made a motion to exit the executive session at 6:52 p.m. and continue with the August 16th workshop. With a second from Trustee Miller and a unanimous vote, the motion carried

Mayor Merandy made a motion to set the price at \$2,300.00 plus all legal fees associated with the sale for the Village Property fronting **178 Main Street**. Trustee Early seconded the motion and with a vote of 4-0-1, the motion carried. Trustee Voloto recused himself from the vote as he is the contractor for the property owners of 178 Main Street who are requesting the purchase of the Village owned parcel.

Several groups met with regard to the **cross walk at the Northeast side of Locust Ridge**, diagonally crossing pedestrians to the Northeast side of Mountain Avenue. The groups included concerned citizens, the Safety Officer Putnam County Deputy Piazza, of Haldane School, the Cold Spring Parking Committee, Officer-in-Charge George Kane and the Superintendent of Haldane School.

The school has provided additional parking for students behind the annex beginning this school year, therefore alleviating the students' need for parking their vehicles along Mountain Avenue and Locust Ridge.

There will be new crosswalks and/or stop signs on Mountain Avenue, Craigside Drive and Locust Ridge to allow a safer crossing for pedestrians on their way to school as follows:

- From the Northeast side to the Northwest side of Locust Ridge;
- From the Northeast side of Mountain Avenue at Craigside Drive to the Northwest side of Craigside Drive;
- From the Southeast side of Mountain Avenue to the Northwest side of Craigside Drive;
- The diagonal crosswalk from the Northeast side of Locust Ridge to the Northeast side of Mountain Avenue will be removed;
- Stop sign stating no stopping, standing or parking at the Northeast corner of Craigside Drive and Mountain Avenue; and
- Stop sign on the Northwest corner of Locust Ridge.

The goal is to have the above in place by Labor Day weekend.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence for this meeting.

Public Comment

Mark Patinella, Commodore of the Cold Spring Boat Club, announced that the Boat Club is now open.

Trustee Voloto, speaking as liaison for the Cold Spring Fire Company, noted that in the past, the Fire Company paid monthly for their gas usage. At present, they are paying yearly. They would like to go back to the monthly payment for gas usage.

Mayor Merandy made a motion to adjourn the workshop of August 16, 2016. Trustee Murphy seconded the motion and with a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Falloon